Kendriya Vidyalayas in Karnataka

2799. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any new Kendriya Vidyalayas and Navodaya Vidyalayas are proposed to be opened in Karnataka during the Eleventh Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, whether sites for the same have been identified and the other details worked out; and

(c) if so, by when each of these Vidyalayas are likely to start functioning?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (c) No decision has been taken about the number of Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) and Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas (JNVs) to be opened in Karnataka during the Eleventh Five Year Plan. However, after commencement of Eleventh Five Year Plan, KVS has opened 2 KVs in Karnataka at Belgaum and Bagalkot. No new JNV has been opened in Karnataka during the Eleventh Five Year Plan. Opening of a KV depends upon receipt of a viable proposal from the sponsor *i.e.* State Government/Public Sector Undertakings etc. committing free land and temporary accommodation, availability of adequate number of students of specified categories, approval of competent authority and availability of funds. Opening of a JNV is also based on receipt of a viable proposal from the concerned State/UT Government offering suitable land free of cost along with provision of temporary building till the construction of permanent building, and is further subject to sanction of competent authority and availability of funds.

Statement against reservation in higher education

2800. SHRI PRAVEEN RASHTRAPAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for not taking action against a member of UPSC for attending a public meeting organized in JNU and making statement against Constitutional provision of reservation in higher education; and

(b) whether it is a fact that the 'Youth for Equality' Organization in JNU is a petitioner in the Supreme Court in the matter concerning 27 per cent reservation of OBC Students?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) According to the information furnished by Jawaharlal Nehru University, no such meeting was organized by the University which was attended by any Member of the Union Public Service Commission.

(b) Yes, Sir.

School kids vulnerable to road accidents

2801. DR. (SHRIMATI) NAJMA A. HEPTULLA:
SHRI MAHENDRA MOHAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that school kids are gradually becoming vulnerable to frequent accidents in schools as well as outside on the roads;

(b) whether Government is also aware that most school vans run on illegal LPG kits;

(c) whether these vans run without attendants and push children inside beyond capacity; and

(d) if so, whether Government would formulate a policy for all such schools in the country and ask the States to take responsibility for safe passage?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (d) There have been some reports of accidents involving school children. Education being a concurrent subject, school education primarily comes under the purview of State Governments. Central Government has issued an advisory on 1.3.2006 asking all State Governments to enforce the relevant provisions of Motor Vehicle Act and also to ensure compliance in letter and spirit to the directives/guidelines given by the Supreme Court in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 13029 of 1985 on 20.11.1997 and 16.12.1997.

Funds of Madarsas

2802. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:
SHRI SYED AZEEZ PASHA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Madarsas in the country, State and Union Territory-wise;

(b) the funds allocated to each of them during each of the last three years and during the current year, State-wise and UT-wise;

(c) the amount utilized by each Madarsa during the said period, States and UT-wise; and

(d) the names of the States/UTs that have refused to accept the allocation during the period togetherwith the reasons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) The information regarding number of Madarsas in the States/Union Territories is not maintained centrally.

(b) Funds allocated to various States/UTs under Madarsas Modernisation Programme during the last 3 years are given in the enclosed Statement (*See* below).

(c) Information on Madarsa-wise utilization of funds is not centrally maintained as the funds under the programme are released to States/UTs, which in turn release the funds to the Individual Madarsas and submit the Utilization Certificate.

(d) As funds are allocated on the basis of proposals submitted by the States/UTs, no State/UT has refused to accept allocation under the Scheme.